

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0015] with the following amended paragraph:

[0015] FIGURE 1 is a ~~side~~ perspective view of a lacrosse handle for attachment to a lacrosse head in accordance with one embodiment of the present invention;

Please replace paragraph [0017] with the following amended paragraph:

[0017] FIGURE 3 is a cross-sectional view of the lacrosse handle of Figure 2 ~~1~~ in the direction of the arrows 3-3;

Please add the following new paragraphs to the application after paragraph [0026]:

[0026a] Figure 4 shows that in the exemplary embodiment of the invention the wall thickness varies about the longitudinal axis of the handle 10 in a plane perpendicular to the longitudinal axis. The wall thickness includes a first range 34 about the longitudinal axis of relatively thicker wall thickness from about the four o'clock position of the cross-section in the clockwise direction to the eight o'clock position, less than one-half around the longitudinal axis and about 120 degrees around the longitudinal axis. The wall thickness is substantially constant about the first range 34.

[0026b] The wall thickness also includes a second range 36 about the longitudinal axis of relatively thinner wall thickness from about the eight-thirty clock position of the cross-section in the clockwise direction to about the three-thirty clock position, over 180 degrees about the longitudinal axis. Thus, the second range 36 extends about the longitudinal axis a greater angle than the first range 34. The wall thickness is substantially constant about the second range 36

around the longitudinal axis of the handle 10. Thus, the wall thickness of the exemplary embodiment is at a minimum over at least 180 degrees about the longitudinal axis.

[0026c] Figure 4 also shows that the wall thickness includes two "third" ranges 38, 40 about the longitudinal axis. The third ranges 38, 40 define transition between the relatively thicker wall thickness and the relatively thinner wall thickness. The third range 38 extends about 9 degrees around the longitudinal axis and the third range 40 extends about 17 degrees around the longitudinal axis.

[0026d] Figure 4 also shows that the handle 10 is polygonal in cross-section in the plane perpendicular to the longitudinal axis. The exemplary polygon has ten sides and over half of the sides are in the second range 36 and therefore have the relatively thinner wall thickness. The relatively thinner walled sides are disposed adjacent to one another about the longitudinal axis.

Please replace paragraph [0027] with the following amended paragraph:

[0027] This increased wall thickness provides a tactile stimuli or feedback such that a player using the handle 10 can sense in what direction the handle 10 is configured in the player's hand, i.e. whether the portion having an increased wall thickness is facing upward or downward or somewhere in between. Thus, the first range 34 and the second range 36 are operably associated with one another whereby the handle 10 is operable to provide tactile feedback to a user of the handle 10 as to the orientation of the handle 10 in the user's hand. As the lacrosse handle 10 is attached to a lacrosse head, the player can also sense the direction the lacrosse head is facing, based solely on the feel of the weight of the handle in the player's hands. This feature

eliminates the need for a player to look at the lacrosse head to determine its orientation during play thereby allowing the player to focus on the game.